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Notice of Allowability	Examiner	
	Ana L. Woodward	1711
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3. ☑ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) ☑ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:		
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5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as replacement sheets) must be seen of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached  (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)		
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of Biological Material	9. ☐ Other	ANA WOODWARD
		PRIMARY EXAMINER

## **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The invention, as now defined by the amended claims, is neither disclosed nor suggested by Akiyama et al. The reference neither anticipates nor renders obvious a masking member having a shape that conforms to the shape of a predetermined part of an article to prevent coating from being applied to that part.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ana L. Woodward whose telephone number is (571) 272-1082. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (8:30-5:00).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James J. Seidleck can be reached on (571) 272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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